Head Start in Harmony rings with young singers

No matter how young you were when you started barbershopping, it probably wasn’t THIS young. BHS/NAfME past award winner John Wernega once again staged a free 2024 Head Start in Harmony A Cappella Children’s Festival in Salem County, New Jersey, which taught kids grades K-8 to sing four-part a cappella barbershop and perform a concert.

Listen to those young voices and imagine their bright futures!

BIG STAGES • EASY ENTRY

Sing in a great chorus this summer!

BHS member surveys, anecdotes, and casual conversations often return to a similar theme: “Make events more active — offer more ways to SING in addition to listening.”

Heard. The major events staged this summer by the Barbershop Harmony Society are loaded with opportunities for you to sing and learn from great directors, without audition or prior qualifying contest. Step onto big stages for new experiences, new friendships, and new growth as a Barbershopper.

Dream Choruses at International

Step up to the world stage! Feel the energy of a massive crowd, the excitement of singing at a high level for a champion director — Greg Clancy or Justin Miller. No audition required, no preliminary qualification event — but you’re singing for an actual score, and actual official International Chorus Contest rank.

LIVE YOUR DREAM

Harmony University Choruses

Spend a week in choruses led by energetic, empathic, accomplished directors. You’ll sing some great music, observe and enjoy high-quality teaching and rehearsal approaches, and perform with confidence for an eager HU audience.

Choose from Next Gen Chorus, directed by Kim Newcomb SSAA Chorus, directed by Katy Dane TTBB Chorus, directed by Dan Wessler PLUS, pick from a full and varied catalog of classes, vocal training offerings, and just plain fun hanging with Barbershoppers.

REGISTER FOR HU CHORUSES

Harmonizer Highlight

5 ways to live the music

Some performers communicate best when they personally embody the music. Cindy Hansen Ellis offers a few pathways for exploring and sharing the heart of the song, in the March/April Harmonizer, in mailboxes now and online anytime.

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